



BRAZIL CITY PARKS & RECREATION BOARD Fund

AUGUST 10, 2010

- President Ruthann Jeffries called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
- **The July minutes were read and approved.**
- **Treasurer's Report—Linda Messmer**

Non-Reverting Fund

Beginning Balance July 1, 2010.....	\$11761.67
Revenue.....	\$2,549.56
Disbursements.....	<u>(\$1,547.96)</u>
Ending Balance July 31, 2010.....	\$12,763.27

Park Fund

Beginning Balance July 1, 2010.....	(\$60,955.56)
Revenue.....	\$1,135.89
Disbursements.....	<u>(\$32,479.05)</u>
Ending Balance July 31, 2010.....	(\$92,298.05)

The big news is the tax money (\$99,577.74) was deposited in the Park Fund which makes the Park Fund approximately \$10,000 in the black! Mrs. Messmer walked the Board through the expenditure and revenue list identifying the changes and corrections, which will show up in the September report. The Pepsi and Rotary money (\$1,547.96) was incorrectly deposited in the Non-Reverting Fund, but now has been moved to the Park Fund. A couple of non-park bills were accidentally taken out of the Park Fund, but they have since been removed. A couple of pool expenditures were questioned. The pool slide repair (Jim Robertson) bill (\$2,367.86) will be paid out of the Rainy Day Fund. The encumbrance list was reviewed, and two parts for pool equipment were added (\$200 plus).

Approximately 48% of the budget has been spent through July. The Board has been quite diligent staying within the budget, and it appears the effort has been successful.

Also, a copy of the 2011 budget was handed to the Board members. A few changes had been made from the original budget.

- **Park Superintendent Report—Ed Holt (Bill Houck on vacation)**
 - Wheeler Park Restroom is completed—paint and “little people.” The “sand tan” color is quite outstanding.
 - More new benches have been assembled.
 - The groundbreaking ceremony for the new water tower at Craig Park is tomorrow, August 11 at 11:30.

--IDEM notified the city of a burning complaint at Craig Park. The park employees have never burned anything at any of the parks. Mayor Bradshaw took care of this matter.

--Greg Warner finished clearing the Hay property.

--Several repairs with new parts have been made to the water system.

--Mr. Holt has worked for two weeks at Craig Park to get ready for the water tower dedication, and it looks good.

- Pool Report—Ruthann Jeffries (Ms. Stevenson was working a pool party.)
 - The Juvenile Diabetes Organization “Dive In” is scheduled for Sat., August 21 from 6 to 10. Board members were strongly urged to attend.
 - On the last day of the pool season, four parties have been scheduled.
 - Closing an hour earlier seems not to have affected the pool business and revenue.
- Audience Comments
 - Carrol Evans and Janice Piatt, representatives of the American Cancer Society, asked approval to have a “Bark for Life” at the walking track, September 18. This event would allow dog owners as well as others to bring their pooch for a walk around the track. The fundraiser would charge a registration fee for the walkers and their dogs. Other activities will be included. Ms. Evans emphasized the part that pets play in the therapy recovery of cancer patients. A Rockville dog food company will donate treat bags for the dogs as well as clean-up bags. This event will be advertised. Caroline McCullough motioned to allow the American Cancer Society to use the Forest Park walking track and vicinity to conduct the “Bark for Life” fund raising event, Sat, September 18. The area must be left as found. Seconded by Linda Merssmer. Carried.
- Bench Update
 - More than ten benches have been added. George Kumpf will be in attendance at the last band concert on August 29.
 - Within a short time, a c camera will be installed to survey the new benches.
 - Todd Brackman explained more of the work being done with the camera project. The soft wear will cost approximately \$100 per camera, but there needs to be a dedicated computer for the camera system due to hard drive space. However, he believes that a computer will be donated. The pictures are very clear and have already helped in slowing down vandalism.
- The Board received a blank application from Dr. Goodall, president of Rotary, to complete for what the parks have the greatest need. The Board

had already decided on tables. Mrs. Messmer will fill out the form asking for 20 8-foot tables at \$140 each. Rotary will be voting on this.

- Mr. Houck will call Humphrey's for a price quote on a bush hog.
- There is a dispute about the authority of the Park Board to make a resolution to ban persons who break park rules from the parks. The city attorney, the county prosecutor, and the General Counsel of Indiana Cities and Towns agree that the park board has no authority to ban citizens from public parks. This matter was tabled until winter.
- John Day announced a disc golf tournament will be held Sun., September 19. He would like for the Board to allow him to use the Non-Reverting Fund to handle the finances of the tournament. Also, it would be helpful to have invoices for expenses made out to the Park Board and earmarked for the disc golf tournament. He also asked if the Board might be one of the sponsors donating \$100. All extra proceeds would go to the Non-Reverting Fund for the parks. Todd Brackman motioned for the Board to donate \$100 out of the Non-Reverting Fund to be a sponsor for the disc golf tournament, September 19. Seconded by Caroline McCullough. Carried. Mr. Day will bring in donation money to the City Clerk's Office to be deposited in the Non-Reverting Fund. Mr. Day, the Park Board, and the City Clerk will keep strict records. Since most items to be purchased will be from 1-3 vendors, only a few checks would have to be written by the Clerk from the Non-Reverting Fund.
- The refrigerator at the bathhouse is inoperable. Mrs. Jeffries has donated one and arrangements were made to quickly get it in place.
- Jim Robertson submitted a bid for the pool painting for \$7,916. This was much lower than two other companies. Linda Messmer motioned to accept the bid from West Side Auto Body Replacement Parts (Jim Robertson) for a total of \$7,916.00 to paint the pool. (\$3,800 for paint, \$3,500 for labor, miscellaneous-\$350, and \$266.00 tax) Seconded by Todd Brackman. Carried.
- As mentioned prior, IDEM sent a burn warning to the city. City employees, but not park employees have done burning of limbs and garbage. Mayor Bradshaw has ordered a stop to the burning immediately.
- In preparation for the Fishing Fun Day, a September 18 date was set, assignments handed out to Board members. A news ad was approved and will run three times. Shopping day will be September 16 at 9 a.m. at Walmart.

- After discussion about persons in the parks after hours, all night, the Board felt the parks needed an opening time as well as the closing time. Linda Messmer motioned to establish the park hours as follows: Morning opening—5 a.m.; Night closing—11 p.m. Seconded by Todd Brackman. Carried.
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Caroline McCullough", followed by a long horizontal flourish.

Caroline McCullough, Secretary

P.S. After adjournment, the Board had received a complaint about the park squirrels endangering bike riders. The bicyclist wanted a designated squirrel feeding station. No action taken.